GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SCHOOL OF OPEN LEARNING
Nayak Shri Ananta

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to promote education through school of open learning and distance education;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount earmarked and allocated for the purpose during the current financial year, State and Union Territory-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide adequate funds for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) and (b): National Institute of Open Schooling (N.I.O.S.) provides open and distance learning system at the School stage to the students who are unable to complete high school and/or senior secondary courses from the formal system of education.

(c) and (d): There is adequate provision of Rs. 6 crore in this Ministry`s `Plan` budget during 2007-08 for N.I.O.S., which also has its own source of revenue. The amount is not earmarked or allocated State and Union Territory-wise.